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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
SATORU WAKAO ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: N/Y/A
Application No.: 09/875,965)	
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Filed: June 8, 2001)	
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For: DATA PROCESSING)	
APPARATUS AND METHOD	:	October 25, 2001

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:


<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
09/238,570	01/28/99	2721
09/577,980	05/25/00	3727
09/437,343	11/10/99	2748

A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



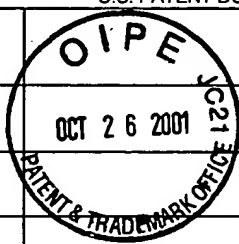
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		5,742,620	04/98	Iwamura	371	37.11	
		5,604,752	02/97	Iwamura	371	37.1	
		5,535,140	07/96	Iwamura	364	550	
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